

Appendix J Mandeville Schools Satellite Site at Oldfield Primary School

Expansion onto an additional site ('or satellite sites')

Where proposers seek to expand onto an additional site, they will need to ensure that the new provision is genuinely a change to an existing school and not in reality the establishment of a new school.

Judgements about whether a proposal represents a genuine expansion will need to be taken on a case-by-case basis, but proposers and decision makers will need to consider this non-exhaustive list of factors which are intended to expose the extent to which the new site is integrated with the existing site, and the extent to which it will serve the same community as the existing site. The more integration, the more likely the change is an expansion.

The relevant information in relation to the factors is shown beneath each factor.

- What is the rationale for this approach and this particular site?

All of Ealing's special schools have expanded their number on roll over the last 10 years to meet demand for places from children with an Education Health and Care Plan for special education needs.

The proposal for expansion of Mandeville Special School through a satellite site at Oldfield Primary School has been prompted by a further significant rise in pupils born in the last 5 years seeking special school places in the borough. There has been a rise in pupils with severe learning difficulties or profound and multiple learning difficulties, many of whom also have a diagnosis of Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD).

Primary phase numbers in the area have reduced over recent years and Oldfield Primary will have spare classroom accommodation as a result of consolidating into a 45 per year group entry from September 2023.

Oldfield Primary is less than 1.5 miles from the Mandeville School main site.

The site has existing education planning use and no planning permission for the building works is required as there is no new build work.

Stakeholder consultation about the proposals was run by the schools, supported by the Local Authority between 5th December 22 and 23rd January 2023. 60 responses were received in total. 83.1% (53 of 59 respondents to the question: "To what extent do you support the proposed expansion of Mandeville School on the Oldfield Primary Site?") either moderately agreed, agreed or strongly supported the proposals. Details are included in appendix C.

- Admission and curriculum arrangements –

Admissions to Mandeville Special School will continue to be coordinated by the Local Authority based on the needs set out in pupil's Education, Health and Care Plan.

- How will the new site be used (e.g. which age groups/pupils will it serve)?

The new site will be used for Reception /Year 1 pupils with Severe Learning Difficulties (SLD)/Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). Profound and Multiple Learning Difficulties (PMLD) and complex medical need pupils will still use the main Mandeville site from Reception.

- What will the admission arrangements be?

Admissions to Mandeville Special School will continue to be coordinated by the Local Authority based on the needs set out in pupil's Education, Health and Care Plan.

- Will there be movement of pupils between sites?

There will be movement of pupils between sites although the satellite site will be fully equipped to deliver the educational requirements of the Reception/Year 1 pupils based at the site.

- Governance and administration

The new site be governed by the same governing body and senior leadership team, with an office for administration of the site, within the overall school administration team.

- How will whole school activities be managed?

There is a short distance between Mandeville School and the Oldfield site. The unit at Oldfield will be an integral part of the whole school community. Mandeville parents will have access to all training and support. Parents and children will have the opportunity to join planned special events and will have access to extended learning activities at Mandeville.

- Will staff be employed on contracts to work on both sites? How frequently will they do so?

- What governance, leadership and management arrangements will be put in place to oversee the new site (e.g. will the new site be governed by the same governing body and the same school leadership team)?

The new site will be governed by the same governing body and the same school leadership team.

- Physical characteristics of the school.

The main site, 1.4 miles away on Horsenden Lane North, consists of modern specialist facilities dating from 2008 and 2015, with a combined gross internal area of approximately 4,826m². The proposed satellite accommodation comprises of modern early years and foundation stage accommodation dating from 2010 with a gross internal area of approximately 479m².

- How will facilities across the 2 sites be used (e.g. sharing of the facilities and resources available at the 2 sites, such as playing fields)?

The intention is for reception children and some year one children to be educated at the Oldfield site. The site will have three classrooms, a small sensory room and soft play, mixed-use space and office space, along with outdoor learning and play and a nature space. There is a short distance between Mandeville School and the Oldfield site. The unit at Oldfield will be an integral part of the whole school community. Mandeville parents will have access to all training and support. Parents and children

will have the opportunity to join planned special events and will have access to extended learning activities at Mandeville.

- Is the new site in an area that is easily accessible to the community that the current school serves?

The new site is 1.4 miles from the main site and is easily accessible to the community that the current school serves.